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TO AMEMBASSY GABORONE IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY MBABANE

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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MBABANE FOR OSARAC, NAIROBI FOR REDSO

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:EAID, ETRN, BC

SUBJECT: BOTSWANA - TRANSPORT RECONNAISSANCE

REFERENCE: A) GABORONE 1810, B) ALBERTI/PERRY TELECON

C) STATE 229734

1. APPRECIATE RANGE OF CONCERNS RAISED REF A; HOWEVER, THUNBERG PREVIOUS COMMITMENTS REGRETABLELY ALLOWS NO SCHEDULE FLEXIBILITY. THUNBERG PERHAPS ONE OF MOST EMINENT U.S. ECONOMISTS AND STATE/AID PLEASED HER WILLINGNESS UNDERTAKE STUDY.

2. THIS VISIT INTENDED TO ACCOMPLISH FOLLOWING TASKS:

A. PROVIDE U.S.G. WITH RANGE OF ECONOMIC DATA TO RATIONALLY ENHANCE ON-GOING DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PLANNING EFFORT FOR
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BOTSWANA AND SOUTHERN AFRICA REGION, WITH INITIAL EMPHASIS

ON TRANSPORTATION.

B. BELIEVE VISIT ENHANCES U.S.G. STATEMENTS THAT U.S.G. SERIOUS IN PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO REGION.

C. DETERMINE IMPACT OF RHODESIAN TRANSITION ON BOTSWANAN ECONOMY.

D. FYI BELIEVE QUESTION OF DISRUPTION OF TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS NOT RPT NOT BE RAISED BY THUNBERG. HOWEVER, IF ISSUE IS RAISED BY GOB AND IT BELIEVES DISRUPTION QUESTION REMAINS SERIOUS PROBLEM, THUNBERG ROLE ONLY THAT OF INFORMATION GATHERER. END FYI.

3. GIVEN IMPORTANCE OF EFFORT REQUEST EMBASSY/AID MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO GAIN FULL COOPERATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY.

4. UNDERSTAND HOUSING NOT PROBLEM PER REF B.

5. REGRETABLELY GIVEN TIME/TRAVEL CONSTRAINTS EMBASSY/OSARAC BRIEFING OF THUNBERG/EPSTEIN MUST TAKE PLACE GABORONE.

6. THUNBERG/EPSTEIN ETA, MONDAY, 4 OCT., 1240 HRS, FLT SA-100. THUNBERG ETD GABORONE 17 OCT 1310 HRS, FLT BOTS 177. EPSTEIN DPT TO BE ARRANGED GABORONE. ROBINSON

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